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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: NATO, MPOL
SUBJECT: VETO OF DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION BILL

REF: A. STATE 209853, B. OTTAWA 4095 NOTAL

1. ON AUGUST 18, DCM MADE POINTS CONTAINED REF A TO
J. J. MCCARDLE, DIRECTOR GENERAL, BUREAU OF DEFENSE AND
ARMS CONTROL AFFAIRS, EXTAFF. MCCARDLE WAS ALREADY AWARE
OF THE PRESIDENT'S ACTION AND REASONS THEREFOR, BUT
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WELCOMED THIS FURTHER EXPLANATION AND EXPLICIT COMMITMENT
TO NATO GOALS.

2. DCM TOOK OPPORTUNITY TO QUESTION MCCARDLE ABOUT GOC
ANNOUNCEMENT ON AUGUST 16 (REF B) THAT IT IS CUTTING
CANADIAN DOLLARS 1.5 BILLION FROM PLANNED EXPENDITURES,
CANADIAN DOLLARS 150 MILLION OF THAT IN DEFENSE SECTOR.

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MCCARDLE SAID OFFICIALS ARE NOW TRYING TO IDENTIFY AND AGREE UPON SPECIFIC CUTS IN ORDER TO REACH ANNOUNCED TARGET. HE ADDED THAT EVERY EFFORT IS BEING MADE TO AVOID CUTS WHICH WOULD IMPACT ON NATO AND NORAD COMMITMENTS. HOWEVER, SOME LOWERING OF OPERATIONAL ACTIVITY WILL CERTAINLY BE REQUIRED FOR COMING YEAR. FINAL PACKAGE SHOULD BE COMPLETED WITHIN COMING WEEK, AT WHICH TIME GOC PLANS TO BRIEF ITS ALLIES AT NATO BRUSSELS AND IN WASHINGTON. ENDERS

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